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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Donald A. Sargent et al.

Confirmation No. 3719

Application No.: 10/633,349

Group No.: 1744

Filed: August 1, 2003

Examiner: Monzer R. Chorbaji

For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR DEACTIVATING ITEMS AND FOR MAINTAINING SUCH

ITEMS IN A DEACTIVATED STATE

RESPONSE UNDER
37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP
1744

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AMENDMENT OR RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION--TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment after final rejection (37 C.F.R. 1.116) for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a) and 1.10*

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Date: May 30, 2006

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^{*}Only the date of filing (*1.6) will be the date used in a patent term adjustment calculation, although the date on any certificate of mailing or transmission under *1.8 continues to be taken into account in determining timeliness. See *1.703(f). Consider "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" (*1.10) or facsimile transmission (*1.6(d)) for the reply to be accorded the earliest possible filling date for patent term adjustment calculations.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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| | CLAIMS | | | | | | | | | |
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| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | | | | \$ | 0.00 | = | \$ | 0.00 |
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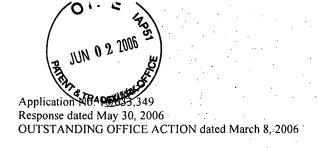
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 8, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

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